

service to others sharing her talents for the betterment of us all.

June was a longtime committee-person of the Greater Glenside Patriotic Association and chairperson of the Glenside Fourth of July Parade. The annual parade is the longest continuous Independence Day parade in America and the pride of our hometown of Glenside. June made it her mission each year to ensure this treasured tradition continued.

June was an environmental activist best remembered for spearheading the yearly Earth Day clean-up of Keswick Avenue.

Even though June was born in Boston and was a Red Sox fan, all of us Phillies fans in Glenside embraced and thanked her for her kind heart, her giving spirit, and her dedication to community.

I join June's friends, family, and the wider Glenside community in mourning her loss. I am thankful for June's example of quiet acts of service, and I am better for having known June.

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RECOGNIZING NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize January as National Mentoring Month, when we volunteer our time to provide support and guidance for our Nation's young people so they are better equipped to tackle personal and professional challenges.

A good mentor could be a friend, a family member, a boss, or a school counselor. Effective counseling prior to graduation can assist students in making better informed decisions about their educational options and career prospects.

That is why Congressman JIM LANGEVIN and I introduced the Counseling for Career Choice Act. Despite a great deal of money being invested to improve education, very little has been spent to address career development specifically. This bill authorizes a grant program to give States and local education agencies access to current counseling programs or the means to implement new counseling frameworks.

Additionally, the bill provides resources to ensure counselors can support their students to the best of their abilities. When we equip students with the tools that they need to succeed, they embark on educational journeys that lead to rewarding careers.

Madam Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to join Congressman LANGEVIN and I in support of H.R. 5092, the Counseling for Career Choice Act.

SUPPORT RELIEF FOR NUCLEAR DISTRICTS

(Mr. SCHNEIDER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Speaker, I rise today for our Nation's communities saddled with stranded nuclear waste stockpiles because the Federal Government has failed to meet its obligation to find a permanent repository.

My constituents in Zion understand this all too well. After its nuclear plant closed in 1998, 2 million pounds of spent nuclear fuel remains.

Literally sitting on the shores of Lake Michigan, the more than 50 casks severely affect the quality of life of the residents of Zion. It deters economic investment, depresses home values, drives up property taxes, and stretches the city's already-thin budget.

Today, I am proud to reintroduce the STRANDED Act to, at last, provide some compensation for these affected communities. Zion is not alone. Across the country, there are more than a dozen communities with nuclear plants at various stages of decommissioning, with more to come.

Madam Speaker, I am grateful for the support and leadership of Committee on Appropriations Chairwoman NITA LOWEY and Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Chairwoman MARCY KAPTUR in reintroducing this bill.

Together, we are fighting to make the Federal Government do right for communities like Zion, and I urge my colleagues to join us.

HONORING THE LIFE OF WILLIE BELTON

(Mr. ABRAHAM asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ABRAHAM. Madam Speaker, the people of Louisiana recently lost a respected political leader, a businessman, a war veteran, and a civil rights leader, Mr. Willie Belton.

Mr. Belton had a life of a service to others. He was awarded the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart under fire, heroically, during the Korean war.

He marched with Dr. Martin Luther King in Washington, Alabama, Tennessee, and Mississippi. Like Dr. King, Mr. Belton always advocated Christian values and nonviolent protests. He also led his local NAACP chapter in Louisiana. In February 2019, he was awarded the Louisiana Medal of Honor.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring his lifetime of service to Louisiana and a Louisiana treasure, Mr. Willie Belton, whose memory will, fortunately, live with us forever.

HONORING JULIE BORNSTEIN

(Mr. TAKANO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TAKANO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Julie Bornstein on her retirement from the Coachella Valley Housing Coalition.

For more than 30 years, Julie has worked tirelessly as an advocate for affordable housing throughout the Coachella Valley. She has dedicated her career to making a difference in the lives of thousands of individuals in Riverside and Imperial Counties.

Her leadership has been instrumental in raising awareness about the homelessness issue so many members of our communities face. Through her efforts, we have seen an increase in the availability of affordable housing throughout the Inland Empire.

Apart from her work in the Coachella Valley Housing Coalition, Julie served in the California State Assembly and was chosen to serve as the chair of the Democratic Caucus.

She went on to serve as director of the California Department of Housing and Community Development. Later, Julie was appointed CEO and president of the Campaign for Affordable Housing.

Madam Speaker, Julie's work has not gone unnoticed, and the Coachella Valley is a better place because of her. We wish her a happy retirement.

CELEBRATING MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, today being his actual birthday, 91 years ago, in 1929.

Dr. King has become synonymous with the civil rights movement and the right to ensure each and every one of us is treated equally, regardless of our background and upbringing.

His strong Christian beliefs helped him inspire positive social change through peaceful protests and demonstrations.

In a nation plagued by identity politics, his pursuit of liberty is as relevant now as it was during the 1960s. Dr. King demonstrated to the world that it is not the color of a person's skin that mattered but, rather, the nature of their character. Indeed, it is one of my favorite quotes and one to live by.

The work of Dr. King is not yet done. He remains a shining example of the right way to lead, the right way to peacefully protest, and the right way to inspire.

I look forward to joining the celebration at the Southside Community Center in Oroville, California, this coming Monday, where his legacy is celebrated and even brought forward by scholarships for the young people who will be there.